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IO FOR WHILDEN, PASS LABOR FOR ILAB

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SUBJECT: MEXICAN POSITION ON ARTICLE 17 AT ILC

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1. AS INSTRUCTED, EMBOFF CONTACTED FONSEC DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AFFAIRS GONZALEZ GALVEZ TO DISCUSS MEXICAN POSITION ON ARTICLE 17 AT UPCOMING ILO CONFERENCE (FON SECRETARY ROEL HAS BEEN IN WASHINGTON FOR TALKS WITH SECRETARY VANCE). AFTER REVIEWING PERTINENT BACKGROUND INFORMATION (REFTEL), EMBOFF SOUGHT TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER MEXICAN MISOFF LOMBERA HAS BEEN ACTING UNDER INSTRUCTIONS. GONZALEZ WAS NONCOMMITAL IN HIS RESPONSE.

2. WITH REGARD TO ARTICLE 17, HOWEVER, GONZALEZ SEEMS TO HAVE A GOOD GRASP OF THE BASIC ISSUE. DURING MAY 20 MEETING ON ANOTHER SUBJECT HE CRITICIZED WHAT HE CHARACTERIZED AS EXCESSIVELY STRONG U.S. APPROACH ON ILO, ADDING HOWEVER THAT HE UNDERSTOOD REALITY OF U.S. INTERNAL PRESSURES AND DID NOT WISH TO SEE U.S. WITHDRAW FROM ILO.
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3. IN MAY 27 CONVERSATION GONZALEZ DESCRIBED U.S. POSITION ON ARTICLE 17, PARTICULARLY OUR PROPOSAL TO CREATE A SCREENING MECHANISM, AS "COMPLICATED." WITHOUT COMMITTING HIMSELF AS TO WHETHER MEXICO WOULD SUPPORT REFERRAL OF ISSUE TO STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE (AS U.S. FAVORS) OR COMMITTEE ON STRUCTURE, GONZALEZ STATED THAT BEFORE

REACHING FINAL DECISION MEXICO WOULD HAVE TO CONSULT
WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF GROUP OF 77. SPEAKING PERSONALLY,
HE SAID THAT MEXICO WAS NOT NECESSARILY OPPOSED TO U.S.
PROPOSAL ON NEED TO SCREEN POLITICAL RESOLUTIONS BUT
FELT THAT U.S. PROPOSAL ON MECHANISM COULD BE "IMPROVED
AND SIMPLIFIED." GONZALEZ CONCLUDED CONVERSATION BY
STATING HE WOULD CHECK FURTHER INTO THE MATTER. EMBASSY
WILL ATTEMPT TO CONTACT GONZALEZ ON
TUESDAY. CALDERHEAD

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